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## Lithium offtake arrangements further expanded at Mt Marion Project

Mineral Resources Limited (ASX: MIN) ("MIN") and Neometals Ltd (ASX: NMT) ("Neometals") refer to their announcement dated 28 January 2016 regarding the expanded lithium offtake arrangements for the Mt Marion Project.

Pursuant to initial offtake arrangements between Ganfeng Lithium Co., Ltd ("Ganfeng") and the project vehicle, Reed Industrial Minerals Pty Ltd ("RIM"), Ganfeng agreed to take-or-pay 100% of the 6% Li<sub>2</sub>O, chemical grade spodumene concentrate produced from the Mt Marion Project. Following metallurgical test work that identified an additional spodumene product could be generated through the addition of a flotation circuit to the current beneficiation plant, Ganfeng agreed to expand the scope of the offtake arrangement to take-or-pay an additional 80,000 tpa of spodumene concentrate of between 4% and 6% Li<sub>2</sub>O content.

MIN and Neometals are now pleased to advise that Ganfeng has agreed to further expand the scope of the offtake arrangements from 80,000 tpa to 200,000 tpa of spodumene concentrate of between 4% and 6% Li<sub>2</sub>O content, generated by additional beneficiation at agreed discounts to the market prices for the 6% Li<sub>2</sub>O product.

The expanded offtake arrangements remain conditional on RIM and MIN agreeing and finalising the necessary variations to the Mining Services Agreement to cover the production of the lower grade product, which will include the addition of a flotation plant at the Mt Marion Project. The variation will be concluded on completion of a detailed metallurgical test program currently being undertaken.

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